

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 1439

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LCO No. 4223

Referred to Committee on Appropriations

Introduced by: (APP)

AN ACT CONCERNING EXPENDITURES FOR THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER COUNSEL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL AND EXPENDITURES FROM THE CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 (NEW) The Consumer Counsel and the chairperson of the Public
- 2 Utility Control Authority shall review (1) the functions and activities of
- 3 the Office of Consumer Counsel and the Department of Public Utility
- 4 Control in order to evaluate the cost and effectiveness of such
- 5 functions and activities and assign priority for their continued
- 6 funding, and (2) the purposes for which the resources of the Consumer
- 7 Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund are expended in order to
- 8 determine the most appropriate uses for such resources. The
- 9 Consumer Counsel and the chairperson shall submit findings and
- 10 recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General
- 11 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and
- 12 the budgets of state agencies not later than February 20, 2002, and
- 13 annually thereafter.

Statement of Purpose:

To review expenditures for the functions and activities of the Office of Consumer Counsel and the Department of Public Utility Control and expenditures from the Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]